

DIARY DATES

MAY

1-3 THE FOOD SHOW CHRISTCHURCH Discover great new food and drink products to buy, plus enjoy lots of free samples and cooking demonstrations. thefoodshow.co.nz

2-3 THE CHOCOLATE AND COFFEE SHOW Head to Auckland's The Cloud to sample artisan chocolate and plenty of coffee. chocolatecoffeeshow.co.nz

14-17 NOOSA INTERNATIONAL FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL This festival includes everything from food tours to clam bakes, beach parties and food and wine masterclasses. noosafoodandwine.com.au

22-24 THE GREAT NZ FOOD SHOW Waikato's Mystery Creek Events Centre plays host to this food show, with great food, wine and demonstrations from chefs including Peta Mathias and The Grove's Ben Bayly. greatnzfoodshow.co.nz

JUNE

5-28 WINTER FAWC This Hawke's Bay festival

continues to go from strength to strength - expect lots of cooking demonstrations, special dining and wine events and general good times. fawc.co.nz

6 CIAOTEAROA MARKET DAY

See *Cuisine's* Ginny Grant demonstrate dishes and enjoy free coffee from the DeLonghi cart at this celebration of all things Italian at Auckland's Sabato. sabato.co.nz

6-7 MANUWATU WINE & FOOD FESTIVAL

Free wine tastings, live music and cooking demonstrations at Palmerston North's Awapuni Racing & Function Centre. mwff.co.nz

20 ITALIAN OPERA AT

HUKA LODGE Sydney chef Stefano Manfredi will prepare a five-course dinner, matched with wines from Central Otago's Misha's Vineyard and accompanied by performances from students at the New Zealand Opera School. hukalodge.co.nz

26 RONALD MCDONALD

HOUSE SUPPER CLUB Top Christchurch restaurants will host dinner parties to benefit the charity. rmhsi.org.nz